

Anatomy and Physiology: Course Study Guide

Introduction to the Structural Units

Anatomy and Physiology:

- Divided into many branches based on the investigative techniques used, the type of knowledge desired, or the parts of the body under study.
 - **Gross Anatomy**
 - The study of large and easily observable structures on an organism.
 - It is done through dissection and visible inspection with the naked eye.
 - The different body parts and regions are studied with regard to their general shape, external features, and main divisions.
 - **Microscopic Anatomy**
 - Refers to the use of microscopes to enable one to see the minute details of organ parts.
 - Ultra wave and electron microscopes provide greater magnification and resolution than optical microscopes.
 - Subdivided into two different regions:
 - **Cytology**
 - The study of the structure, function, and development of cells that comprise the different body parts.
 - **Histology**
 - Studies the tissues and organs that make up the entire body of an organism.
 - **Developmental Anatomy**
 - Studies the growth and development of an organism during its lifetime.
 - In more specific terms, embryology
 - Studies the formation of an organism from fertilized egg to birth
 - **Comparative Anatomy**

- The different body parts and organs of humans can be studied with regard to similarities with and differences from others in the animal kingdom.
- **Systematic Anatomy**
 - The study of the structure of various organs or parts that comprise a particular organ system.
 - Specific terms in this area:
 - **Dermatology**
 - Study of the integumentary system(skin, hair, and nails).
 - **Endocrinology**
 - Study of the endocrine or hormonal system.
 - **Neurology**
 - Study of the nervous system.

Anatomical Terminology:

- In the study of anatomy and physiology, special words are used to describe the specific location of a structure, organ, or the relative position/direction of one body part to another
 - **Anatomical position**
 - A human being is standing erect, with face forward, arms at the side, and palms forward.
 - **Anterior or ventral**
 - Means “front” or “in front of”
 - Examples:
 - The knees are located on the anterior surface of the human body.
 - A ventral hernia may protrude from the front or belly of the abdomen.
 - **Posterior or dorsal**
 - Means “back” or “in back of”
 - Examples:
 - Human shoulder blades are found on the posterior surface of the body.
 - **Cephalic and caudal**

- Cephalic means “skull” or “head end” of the body.
 - Caudal means “tail end”
- **Superior**
 - Means “upper” or “above another”
- **Inferior**
 - Means “lower” or “below another”
- **Medial**
 - “Toward the midline or median plane of the body”
- **Lateral**
 - “Away” or “toward the side of the body”
- **Proximal**
 - “Towards the point of attachment to the body” or “toward the trunk of the body”
- **Distal**
 - “Away from the point of attachment or origin” or “farthest from the trunk”
- **Superficial or external**
 - “On or near the surface of the body”
- **Deep or internal**
 - Involves damage to an internal organ.
- **Terms referring to Body Planes and Sections**
 - **Planes**
 - Imaginary anatomical dividing lines that are useful for separating body structures.
 - **Section**
 - A cut made in a certain direction of a certain plane.
 - **Sagittal plane**
 - Divides the body into left and right parts.
 - **Midsagittal plane**
 - The plane starts in the middle of the skull, proceeds down, bisects the sternum and vertebral column, the body would be divided *equally* into right and left halves.

- **Coronal (frontal) plane**
 - A vertical cut at right angles to the sagittal plane, dividing the body into anterior and posterior portions.
- **Transverse (cross section)**
 - A horizontal cut that divides the body into upper and lower portions.
- **Terms Referring to Cavities of the Body:**
 - **Dorsal cavity**
 - Posterior cavity of the body that houses the brain and spinal column.
 - **Cranial cavity**
 - Area of the body containing the brain.
 - **Spinal cavity**
 - Area of the body containing the spinal cord.
 - **Thoracic cavity**
 - Area of the body divided into 2 cavities: the left pleural cavity contains the left lung and the right pleural cavity contains the right lung.
 - **Abdominopelvic cavity**
 - Area below the diaphragm, with no separation between the abdomen and pelvis.
 - **Abdominal cavity**
 - Area of the body that contains the stomach, liver, gallbladder, pancreas, spleen, small intestine, appendix, and part of the large intestine.
 - **Pelvic cavity**
 - Area of the body containing the urinary bladder, reproductive organs, rectum, remainder of large intestine, and appendix.
- **Terms Referring to Regions in the Abdominopelvic Cavity:**
 - **Epigastric**
 - Upper region of the abdominal cavity, located just below the sternum.
 - **Umbilical**
 - Area located around the navel (umbilicus); the right and left lumbar region.
 - **Hypogastric**

- Lower region of the abdominal area.

- **Smaller Cavities:**

- **Orbital cavity**

- Contains the eye and its external structures.

- **Nasal cavity**

- One of the pairs of cavities between the anterior nares and the nasopharynx.

- **Oral (buccal) cavity**

- Encloses the teeth and tongue.

- **Human Development:**

- **Cells**

- The basic unit of structure and function of all living things.

- **Tissues**

- Special cells grouped according to function, shape, size, and structure.

- **Organs**

- Tissues, in turn, form larger functional and structural units.

- **Organ system**

- Organs that are grouped together because more than one is needed to perform a function.

Chemistry of Living Things

Chemistry:

- The study of the structure of matter and composition of substances, their properties, and their chemical reactions.
 - **Biochemistry**
 - The study of the chemical reactions of living things.
- **Matter and Energy:**
 - **Matter**
 - Anything that has weight (mass) and occupies space.
 - Exists in solid, liquid, and gas forms.
 - **Energy**
 - The ability to do work or to put matter into motion.
 - Exists in our bodies
 - **Potential energy**
 - Stored in cells waiting to be released.
 - Ex. laying in bed.
 - **Kinetic energy**
 - Work resulting in motion.
 - Ex. getting out of bed.
 - **Atoms**
 - The smallest piece of an element.
 - Invisible to the human eye.
 - The normal atoms are made up of **subatomic particles**:
 - **Protons**
 - Has a positive electrical charge.
 - **Neutrons**
 - Have no electrical charge.
 - **Electrons**
 - Has a negative charge.
 - **Isotopes**

- Have the same number of protons but a different number of neutrons.
 - Radioactive
 - Some isotopes are unstable and decay.
- **Elements**
 - Substances that can neither be created nor destroyed by ordinary chemical means.
- **Compounds**
 - Elements combined in definite proportion by weight to form a new substance.
 - Unicellular
 - One-celled microbe
 - Multicellular
 - Many-celled animal or plants
 - Organic compounds
 - Compounds that contain the element carbon
- **Molecules**
 - The smallest unit of a compound that still has the properties of the compound and the ability to lead its own stable and independent existence.
- **Chemical bonds**
 - Bonds formed when atoms share or combine their electrons with atoms of other elements.
 - **Ionic bond**
 - Bond in which one atom gives up an electron to another atom.
 - **Covalent bond**
 - Atoms share electrons to fill their outermost levels/shells.
 - **Hydrogen bond**
 - Bond that holds water molecules by forming a bridge between the negative oxygen atom of one water molecule and the positive hydrogen atom of another molecule.
- **Types of Compounds:**

- **Inorganic**
 - Made of molecules that do not contain the element carbon (C).
- **Organic**
 - Always contain the element carbon, combined with hydrogen and other elements.
- **Carbohydrates**
 - Compounds of the elements carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen.
 - Have twice as many hydrogen atoms as oxygen and carbon.
 - **Divided into 3 groups:**
 - **Monosaccharides**
 - Sugars that cannot be broken down further.
 - Also called single or simple sugars.
 - Ex. glucose, fructose, galactose...
 - **Disaccharides**
 - Known as a double sugars because it is formed from 2 monosaccharide molecules by a chemical reaction called **dehydration synthesis**.
 - **Polysaccharides**
 - Large, complex molecules of hundreds to thousands of monosaccharides bonded together in one long, chain-like molecule.
 - Ex. starch, cellulose, glycogen
- **Lipids**
 - Molecules containing the elements carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen.
 - Different from carbohydrates because they have much less oxygen in relation to hydrogen
 - Ex. fats, phospholipids, and steroids.
 - **Fats (triglycerides)**
 - Consists of glycerol and fatty acids and make up 95% of fats in the human body.
 - **Phospholipids**

- Contain carbon, hydrogen, oxygen, and phosphorus.
- This type of lipid may be found in the cell membranes, the brain and nervous tissue.

- **Steroids**

- Lipids that contain **cholesterol**.
 - Cholesterol is essential in the structure of the semipermeable membrane of the cell.

- **Proteins**

- Organic compounds containing the elements carbon, hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen, and normally phosphorus and sulfur.

- Found in every part of a living cell.

- **Amino acids**

- Small molecular units that work together to build proteins in the body.

- **Enzymes**

- Specialized protein molecules found in all living things.
- They help control the various chemical reactions occurring in a cell, so each reaction occurs just at the right moment and time.

- **Nucleic acids**

- Important organic compounds containing the elements carbon, oxygen, hydrogen, nitrogen, and phosphorus.

- There are 2 groups of **nitrogenous bases**

- **Pyrimidines**

- Either cytosine or thymine

- **Purines**

- Either adenine or guanine

Cells

Protoplasm:

- An aqueous solution of carbohydrates, proteins, lipids, nucleic acids, and inorganic salts surrounded by a cell membrane.

Organelles

- Microscopic structures within the cell having a special function or capacity.
 - **Ribosomes**
 - Submicroscopic particle attached to endoplasmic reticulum; site of protein synthesis in the cytoplasm of the cell.
 - **Centrosomes**
 - Tiny area near the nucleus of an animal cell; it contains two cylindrical structures called centrioles
 - **Endoplasmic reticulum**
 - Transport system of a cell; can be smooth or rough.
 - **Mitochondria**
 - Organelle that supplies energy to the cell.
 - **Lysosomes**
 - Cytoplasmic organelle containing digestive enzymes.
 - **Peroxisomes**
 - Membranous sacs that contain oxidase enzymes.
 - **Golgi apparatus**
 - Membranous network that resembles a stack of pancakes; it stores and packages secretions to be secreted by the cell.
 - **Cytoskeleton**
 - Internal framework of the cell consisting of microtubules, intermediate filaments, and microfilaments.
 - **Nucleoplasm**
 - Protoplasm inside the nucleus of a cell
 - **Cytoplasm**
 - Protoplasm of the cell body, excluding the nucleus.
 - **Chromatin**

- When a cell reaches a certain size, it divides to form two new cells. The DNA and protein are arranged in a loose and diffuse state.
- **Chromosomes**
 - Nuclear material that determines hereditary characteristics.
- **Cilia**
 - Protrusions from the cell membrane that move material across the cell's surface
 - Short hair-like protrusions
- **Flagella**
 - Protrusions from the cell membrane that allow the cell to move throughout the environment
 - Singular tail like protrusions.
- **Meiosis**
 - Process of cell division in the sex cells
 - Ovum (from the female) and the spermatozoa (from the male) reduce their chromosomes by half.
 - When fertilization occurs, the two sex cells combine to form a simple cell
 - Zygote
 - Has full set of 46 chromosomes
- **Mitosis**
 - First stage is the division of the nucleus
 - Second stage is the division of the cytoplasm
 - Orderly series of steps in which the DNA in the nucleus of the cell is equally distributed into 2 daughter cells or identical nuclei
 - Phases
 - **Interphase**
 - The cell goes through all metabolic cellular activities to help in the maintenance of homeostasis.
 - Known as the resting stage.
 - **Prophase**

- The two pairs of centrioles start to separate toward the opposite ends of the cell.
- An array of cytoplasmic microtubules form between them.
- The nucleus disappears

- **Metaphase**

- Nuclear membrane has dissolved completely.
- Chromatid pairs arranged in a single file.
- One chromatid pair per spindle fiber between the two centrioles.

- **Anaphase**

- The chromatid pairs separate and are pulled apart by the shortening spindle fibers toward the centrioles.
- The two chromatids of each replicated chromosome are now fully separated

- **Telophase**

- The chromosomes migrate to the opposite poles of the cell.
- They start to uncoil
- The nuclear membrane and the nucleus reappear
- When cytoplasmic division is finished, two new daughter cells are formed.

- **Cell death**

- **Necrosis**

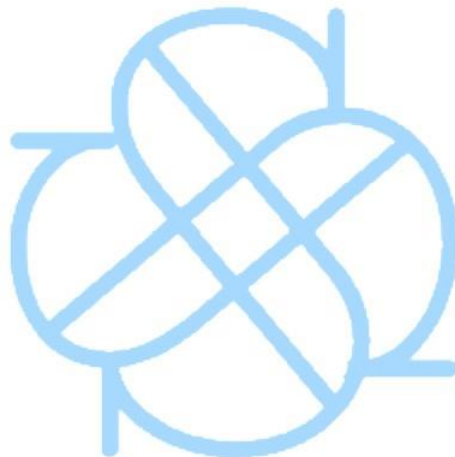
- Name given to *unprogrammed* death of cells and living tissue.
 - There are many causes of necrosis
 - Injury, infection, cancer, infarction, toxins, and inflammation.

- **Apoptosis**

- Orderly process by which cells intentionally die.
 - The cell itself initiates, regulates, and executes its death with an elaborate arsenal of cellular and molecular activity.

- **Osmosis**

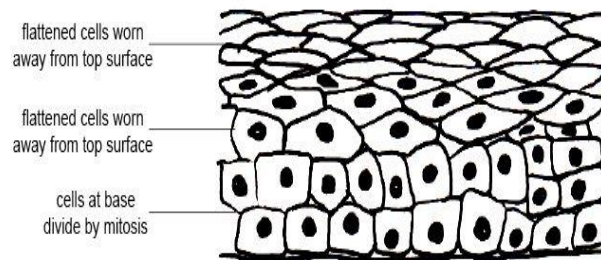
- The diffusion of water or any other solvent molecule through a selectively permeable membrane.



Tissues and Membranes

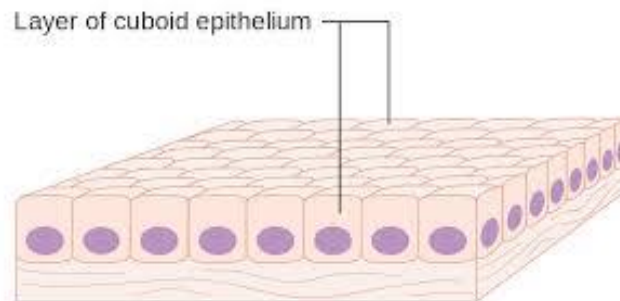
Tissues

- Tissues
 - **Epithelial Tissue**
 - Cells form a continuous layer covering internal and external body surfaces, provide protection, and produce secretions.
 - **Squamous Epithelial**
 - Flat, irregular shaped cells. They line the heart, blood, and lymphatic vessels.

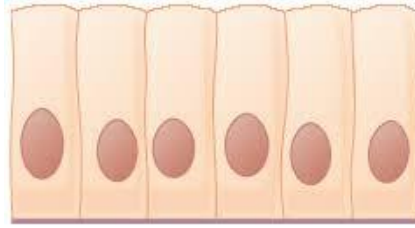


■ **Cuboidal Epithelial**

- Cube-shaped cells, they line the kidney tubules and cover the ovaries.



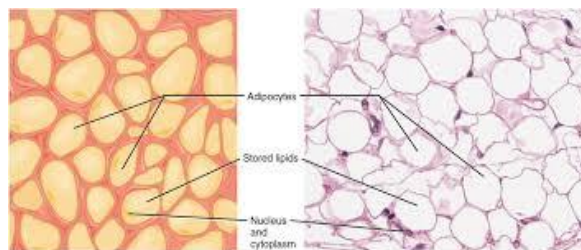
■ **Columnar Epithelial**



- They are elongated, with the nucleus generally near the bottom and often ciliated on the outer surface. They line the ducts, digestive tract, parts of the respiratory tract, and glands

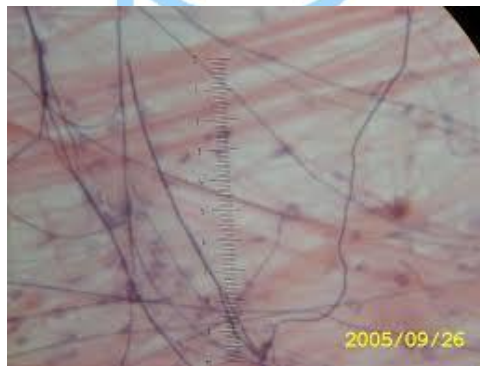
○ **Connective Tissue**

■ **Adipose**



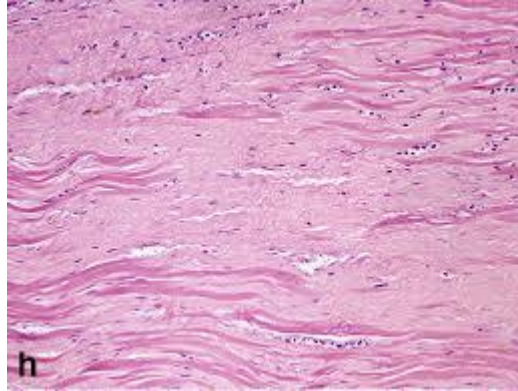
- Stores fat, acts as filler tissue, cushions and supports the body. It is a type of loose connective tissue composed of saclike adipose cells.

■ **Areolar tissue**



- Supports both nerve and blood vessels that transport nutrient materials and waste.

■ **Dense fibrous tissue**

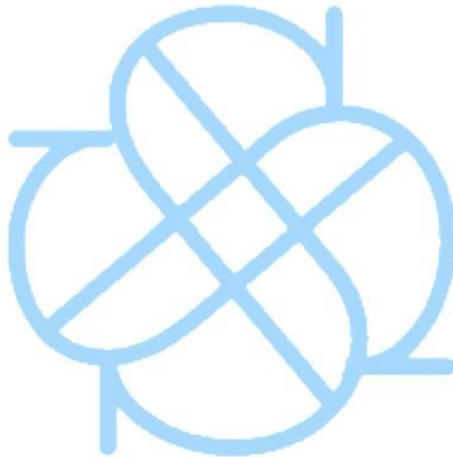


- Made from closely packed white collagen fibers. It is flexible but not elastic. Has poor blood supply and heals extremely slow.

Tissue Repair

- **Primary repair of a clean wound**
 - A clean wound is a cut on the skin where infection is not present
 - The deep layer of stratified squamous divides.
 - New stratified squamous epithelial cells push themselves upward to the surface of the skin.
- **Primary repair over a large skin area**
 - Fluid will escape from the broken capillaries
 - The fluid dries and seals the wound, scab forms
 - The scab prevents pathogens from entering the site
 - Epithelial cells form at the edges of the scab and continue to grow over the damaged area until it gets fully covered
- **Primary repair of deep tissue**
 - The edges of the wound must be sewn together with a suture
 - A tremendous amount of fluid will leak onto the wound
 - Helps form a coagulation that seals the wound
 - In 24-36 hrs the epithelial cells lining the capillaries and fibroblasts of connective tissue degenerate rapidly
 - The newly formed cells remain along the edges of the wound.
 - On the 4th-5th day fibroblast cells become very active in making new collagen fibers.

- Once the tissues come together scar tissue is visible.
- **Secondary repair**
 - A process known as **granulation** occurs in a large open wound with small or large tissue loss
 - The process will form new vertically upstanding blood vessels
 - These new blood vessels are surrounded by young connective tissue and wandering cells of many types
 - Fibroblast will be quite active in the production of new collagen
 - The large wound eventually heals but it takes *a lot* of time



Integumentary System

- **Functions of the skin**

- A **covering** for the underlying tissues, protecting them from dehydration, injury, and germ invasion.
- Helps **regulate body temperature** by controlling the size of the blood vessels in the dermal layer of the skin.
- Helps manufacture **vitamin D**. The ultraviolet light on the skin is necessary for the first stages of vitamin D formation.
- The site for many **nerve endings**
 - A square inch contains 72ft of nerves and hundreds of receptors.
- Has tissues for the **temporary storage** of fat, glucose, water, and salts. Most of these substances are eventually absorbed by the blood and transported to other parts of the body.
- Serves to **reduce the harmful radiation** contained in everyday sunlight.
- Has special properties that allow it to absorb drugs and many other chemical substances.

- **Structure of the skin**

- **Epidermis**
 - The outermost layer of the skin; made up of epithelial cells, with no blood vessels present whatsoever.
- **Dermis**
 - Known as “true skin” it is made up of connective tissue and it contains some blood vessels.
- **Subcutaneous**
 - The fat layer of the skin

- Skin color as **indicator of disease**

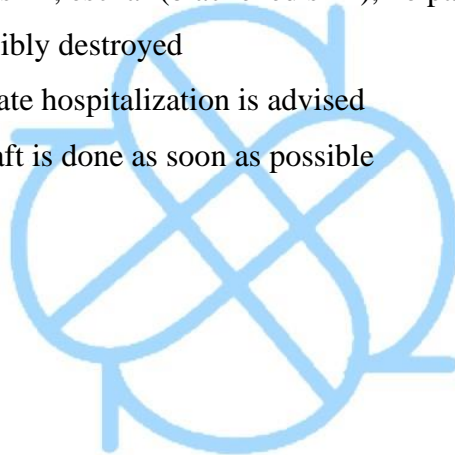
- **Redness**
 - Erythema
 - Causes dilation of capillary network
 - Fever, allergic reaction, and inflammation
- **Bluish tint (grayish in darker skin tones)**

- Cyanosis
 - Causes a decrease in oxygen in capillaries
 - Heart or respiratory disease
- **Yellow**
 - Jaundice
 - accumulation of bile in capillaries
 - Gallbladder or liver disease
- **Pallor**
 - Constriction of capillaries or decrease in red blood cells
 - Emotional stress or anemia
- **Hair**
 - **Root**
 - The part of the hair that is implanted in the skin
 - **Shaft**
 - The hair that projects from the skin's surface
 - **Hair follicle**
 - The root embedded in an impocketing of the epidermis
 - **Alopecia**
 - A genetic predisposition that causes permanent baldness in some people.
- **Disease conditions and nail color**
 - **Liver disease**
 - White nails
 - **Kidney disease**
 - Half of nail is pink, other half is white
 - **Heart condition**
 - Nail bed is red
 - **Lung disease**
 - Yellow and thickening nails
 - **Anemia**
 - Pale nail bed
 - **Diabetes**

- Yellowish with a slight blush at the base
- **Hypoxia**
 - Bluish nails
- **Disorders of the skin**
 - **Acne vulgaris**
 - (acne) is a common non contagious and chronic disorder of the sebaceous glands
 - **Dermatitis**
 - A non contagious inflammation of the skin
 - **Eczema**
 - An acute or chronic non contagious inflammatory skin disease
 - **Impetigo**
 - An acute inflammatory and contagious skin disease seen in babies and young children.
 - Characterized by appearance of vesicles that rupture and develop distinct yellow crust
 - **Psoriasis**
 - A chronic non contagious inflammatory autoimmune skin disease characterized by the development of dry reddish patches covered with silvery-white scales.
 - **Ringworm**
 - A highly contagious fungal infection marked by raised, itchy, circular patches with crusts.
 - **Urticaria (hives)**
 - A non contagious skin condition recognized by the appearance of intensely itching wheals or welts.
 - **Herpes simplex**
 - Occurs around the face and mouth
 - Spreads through oral contact

- **Genital herpes**
 - Another form of the herpes virus
 - May appear as a blister in the genital area
- **Skin cancer**
 - Associated with exposure to ultraviolet light
 - Most common type of cancer in people
 - **Basal cell carcinoma**
 - The most common and least malignant type of skin cancer
 - Usually occurs on the face
 - Full recovery occurs in 99% of the cases
 - **Squamous cell carcinoma**
 - Arises from the epidermis and occurs most often on the scalp and lower lip
 - This type grows rapidly and metastasizes to the lymph nodes
 - Chances for recovery are good only if found early
 - **Malignant melanoma**
 - Occurs in pigmented cells of the skin called melanocytes
 - Metastasizes to other areas quickly
 - A color or size change in a mole or wart may indicate this type
 - The 5 year survival rate is 91%
- **Burns**
 - Traumatic injuries that result from exposure to radiation from the sun, heat lamp, contact with boiling water, steam, fire, chemicals, or even electricity.
 - **Rule of nines**
 - Used to measure the percent of the body burned.
 - The body is divided into 11 areas and each area accounts for 9% of the total body surface.
 - Each arm is 4.5%, perineal area is 1%, each leg is 9%, etc...
 - **First degree (superficial) burns**
 - Involves only the epidermis
 - Sunburns are usually in this category

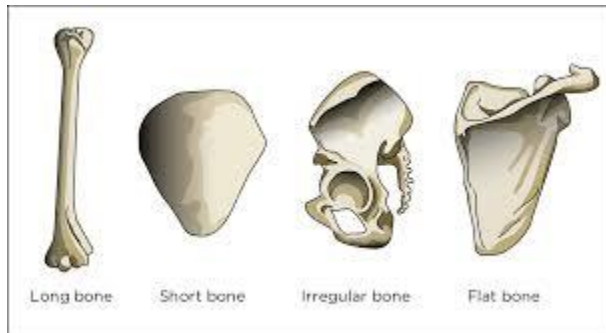
- May include swelling, redness, and pain
- Hold burned area under cool running water for 10-15 min
- Healing occurs within a week
- **Second degree (partial-thickness) burn**
 - May involve the epidermis and dermis
 - Include pain, swelling, redness, and blistering
 - Pain medication and dry sterile dressing applied to open skin areas
 - Healing occurs within 2 weeks
- **Third degree (full-thickness) burn**
 - Involves complete destruction of the epidermis, dermis, and subcutaneous layers.
 - Loss of skin, eschar (blackened skin), no pain because the nerve endings are possibly destroyed
 - Immediate hospitalization is advised
 - Skin graft is done as soon as possible



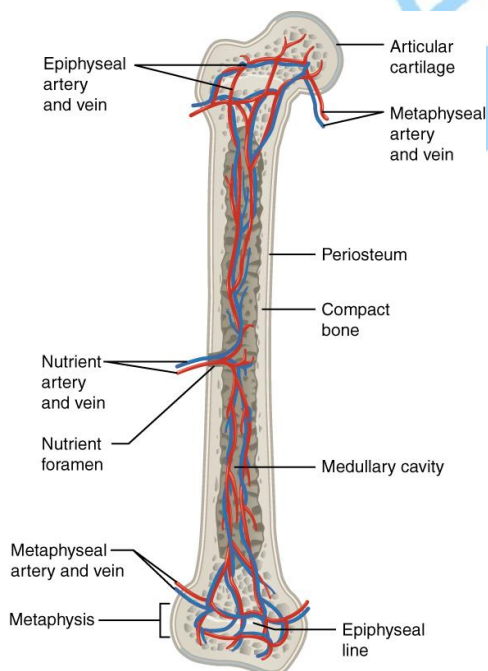
Skeletal system

- **Functions**

- Supports body structure and provides shape
- Protects the soft and delicate organs
- Allows movement and anchorage of muscles
- Provides mineral storage
- The site for homeostasis



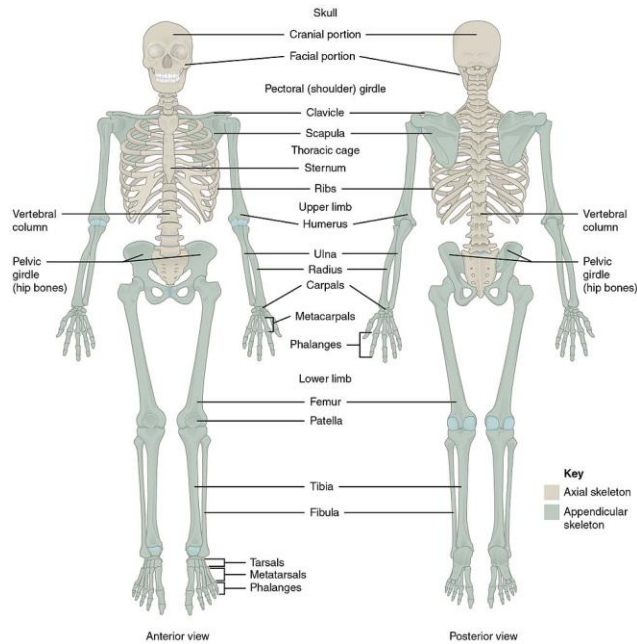
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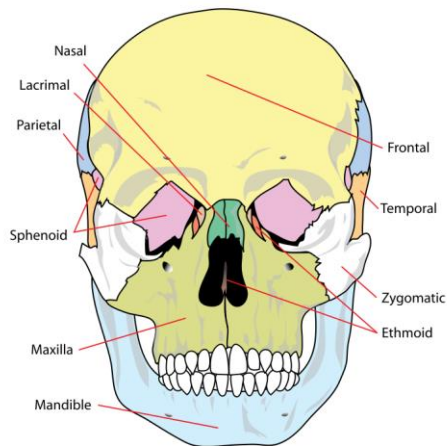
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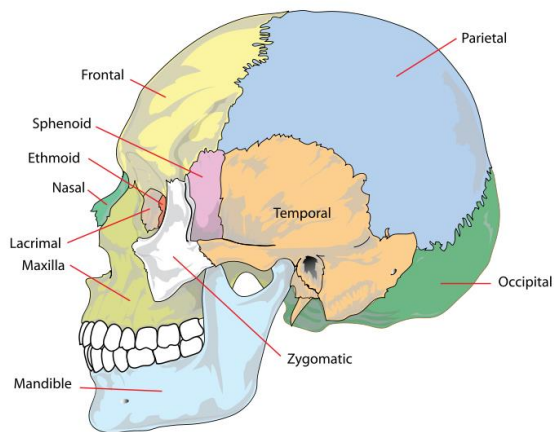
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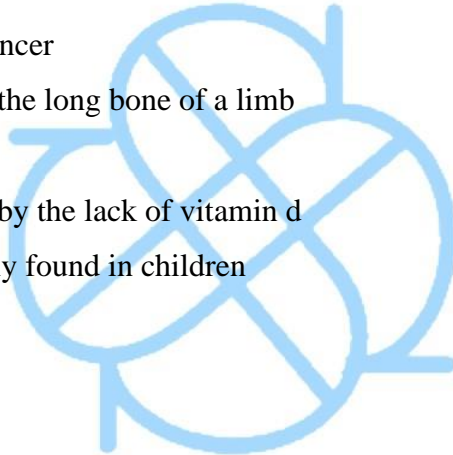
Skeletal system (continued)

****Note: Break and fracture mean the same thing.*

- **Types of fractures**
 - **Closed/Simple**
 - The bone is broken, but the broken ends do not pierce through the skin to form an external wound.
 - **Open/Compound**
 - The most serious type of fracture
 - The broken bone ends pierce through the skin.
 - Site for infection of the bone and neighboring tissues.
 - **Comminuted**
 - When the bone is splintered or broken in many pieces that become embedded in the surrounding tissue
 - **Stress or hairline fracture**
 - A tiny crack in the bone that typically occurs from overuse
 - Can be quite painful but normally heals itself
- **Process of restoring bone occurs through three main methods:**
 - **Closed reduction**

- The fragments are brought together into alignment by manipulation, and a cast/splint is applied to the area.
- **Open reduction**
 - Devices such as wires, metal plates, or screws are used to hold the bones in alignment. (through surgical intervention)
 - Splint or cast can be applied
- **Traction**
 - Pulling force that is used to hold the bones in place
 - Used for the fractures of the long bone
- **Diseases of the bones**
 - **Arthritis**
 - One of the most common health problems in the world
 - An inflammation of one or more joints, accompanied by pain, stiffness, swelling, and many other problems that affect the way that we complete everyday tasks.
 - **Rheumatoid Arthritis**
 - A chronic, autoimmune disease that affects the connective tissue and joints.
 - Thickening of the synovial membrane, joints are badly swollen.
 - **Osteoarthritis**
 - Degenerative joint disease
 - Occurs with aging
 - Articular cartilage degenerates and a bony spur formation occurs at the joint.
 - Joints may enlarge and there is pain and swelling
 - **Gout**
 - Characterized by an acute inflammation.
 - Pain and swelling is the body's response to the accumulation of uric acid crystals in the affected joint
 - **Kyphosis**
 - A humped curvature in the thoracic area of the spine

- **Lordosis**
 - Exaggerated inward curvature in the lumbar region of the spine
- **Scoliosis**
 - A side-to-side or lateral curvature of the spine
- **Osteoporosis**
 - Characterized by low bone mass and structural deterioration of the bone tissue
- **Osteomyelitis**
 - Infection that may involve all parts of the bone
 - Result from injury or systemic infection
 - Common in children between ages of 5-14
- **Osteosarcoma**
 - Bone cancer
 - Affects the long bone of a limb
- **Rickets**
 - Caused by the lack of vitamin d
 - Normally found in children



Muscular system

- **Functions**

- Body movement
- Body form and shape, to maintain
- Body heat, to maintain body temperature

- **Types of muscles**

- **Skeletal muscles**

- Attached to the bones of the skeleton
- Called striped or **striated**
 - Under a microscope they show crossbandings of altering light and dark bands running perpendicular to the length of the muscle.

- Voluntary

- **Smooth muscle**

- Visceral muscle
- Cells are small and spindle shaped
- One nucleus, located in center of the cell
- Unmarked
- Unattached to bones
- involuntary

- **Cardiac muscle**

- Only found in the heart
- Striated and branched
- Involuntary

- **Sphincter muscles**

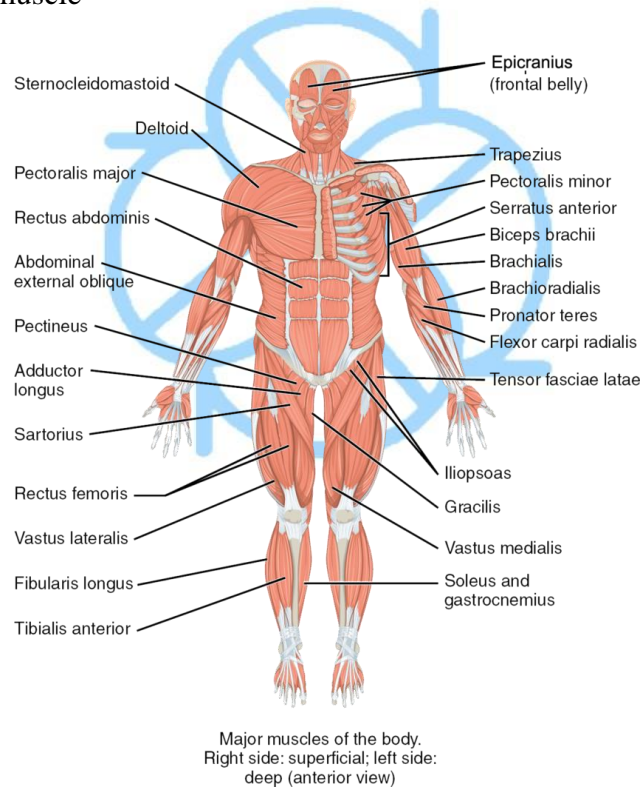
- Special circular muscles in the openings between the esophagus and stomach, small intestine, anus, urethra, and the mouth.

- **Musculoskeletal disorders**

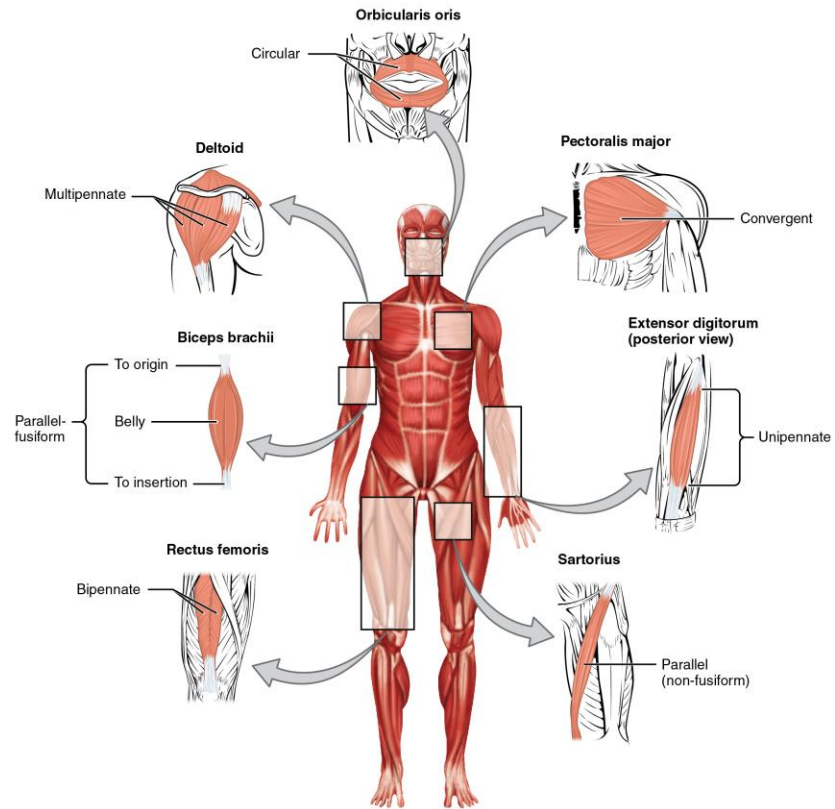
- **Strain**

- Overstretching or tearing of a muscle
- From lifting too much weight, lifting improperly, or using their muscles excessively.

- **Spasm**
 - Cramp or contractions of the muscle
- **Myalgia**
 - Muscle pain
- **Dystonia**
 - Condition characterized by involuntary muscle contractions that cause repetitive movements.
- **Hernia**
 - Organs protrude through a weak muscle
- **Tetanus**
 - Infectious disease characterized by continuous spasms of the voluntary muscle



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Endocrine System

- **Negative feedback**

- When there is a drop in the blood level of a specific hormone, the drop triggers a chain reaction of responses to increase the amount of hormone in the blood
- Acts like an air conditioner unit
 - There is a set temperature and when it gets out of range it kicks on
- **Steps**
 - The level of **thyroxine** falls
 - The hypothalamus receives the message
 - Hypothalamus responds by releasing hormone for TSH
 - It goes to the anterior pituitary which responds by releasing TSH
 - TSH stimulates the thyroid gland to produce thyroxine
 - The thyroxine level rises, which causes the hypothalamus to shut off the releasing of TSH

- **Pituitary gland**

- Tiny structure about the size of a grape
- Located at the base of the brain
- Hormones of the pituitary gland
 - Divided into 2 lobes
 - The larger (anterior) produces 6 hormones
 - Smaller (posterior) consists primarily of nerve fibers and neuroglial cells that support the nerve fibers

- **Anterior pituitary lobe**

- **GH (somatotropin)**
 - Responsible for growth and development.
 - It helps fat to be used for energy
 - Saves glucose and maintains blood sugar
- **PR (prolactin hormone)**
 - Develops breast tissue and stimulates the production of milk after child birth.
 - Function in males is unknown

- **TSH (Thyroid stimulating hormone)**
 - Stimulates the growth and secretion of the thyroid gland
- **ACTH (adrenocorticotrophic hormone)**
 - Stimulates the growth and secretion of the adrenal cortex
- **FSH (follicle stimulating hormone)**
 - Stimulates the growth of the graafian follicle and the production of estrogen in females, and stimulates the production of sperm in males
- **LH (luteinizing hormone)**
 - Stimulates the growth of the graafian follicle, the production of the estrogen
- **Intermediate pituitary lobe**
 - Stimulates the melanin cells
- **Posterior Pituitary lobe**
 - **Vasopressin**
 - Converts to ADH in the bloodstream
 - **Oxytocin**
 - Released during childbirth, causes some contractions of the uterus
- **Pancreas**
 - Located behind the stomach
 - Acts as both an exocrine and endocrine gland
- **Insulin**
 - The B cells in the islets of langerhans produce this
 - Promotes the transmission of glucose in the blood
 - Necessary for maintaining normal levels
- **Pineal gland**
 - Small pinecone shaped organ attached to the roof of the 3rd ventricle in the brain
 - The hormone melatonin is produced here
- **Disorders of the endocrine system**
 - **Gigantism**
 - Overgrowth of the long bones leading to excessive tallness
 - **Acromegaly**

- Overdevelopment of the bones of the face, hands, and feet
- **Diabetes insipidus**
 - Drop in the amount of ADH
 - Causes excessive loss of water and electrolytes
 - Causes excessive thirst (polydipsia)
- **Hyperthyroidism**
 - Overactivity of the thyroid gland
 - Caused by toxic nodules or medication
 - Enlargement of the eyes (goiter)
 - Bulging of the eyeballs (exophthalmos)
- **Hypothyroidism**
 - The thyroid gland does not secrete a sufficient amount of thyroxine
 - Manifested by low T3 or T4 levels
 - May occur due to iodine deficiency
 - Enlargement of the thyroid gland
 - **Myxedema**
 - Face becomes swollen, weight increases, and memory fails
 - **Cretinism**
 - Lack of mental and physical growth
 - Results in mental retardation and malformation
 - Do not live past 7-8 years
 - **Thyroid cancer**
 - Most common of the endocrine system
 - Affects women more than men
 - Survival rates are 90%-100%, if caught early
 - **Tetany**
 - Extremely low calcium levels
 - Convulsive twitching, dies of spasms in the respiratory muscles.
 - **Pheochromocytoma**
 - Tumor in the adrenal gland
 - Causes excessive secretion of epinephrine

- Is not cancerous, can be removed
- Can be fatal

■ **Cushing's syndrome**

- Caused from the hypersecretion of glucocorticoid hormones from the adrenal cortex
- More men than women suffer from this
- Hypertension, weakness, obesity, skin lesions, etc.

■ **Addison's disease**

- Hypofunctioning of the adrenal cortex
- Bronzing of the skin, decreased levels of glucose, hypotension, etc.

■ **Diabetes mellitus**

- Decreased secretion of insulin from the islets of langerhans
- **Type 1**
 - Juvenile diabetes
 - Usually in children and young adults
 - Caused from an autoimmune reaction
 - Must take insulin and monitor blood sugar
 - Polyuria (excessive urination), polydipsia, polyphagia (excessive hunger), blurred vision, etc.
- **Type 2**
 - Common in adults over 45
 - Illness and tiredness, unusual thirst, frequent urination at night
 - Makes up of 90-95% of diabetics
 - Known cause is obesity

Blood

- **Composition**

- **Plasma**

- The liquid portion of blood without its cellular elements

- **Erythrocytes**

- Red blood cells

- **Leukocytes**

- White blood cells

- **Thrombocytes**

- Platelets

- **Blood plasma**

- Straw-colored, complex liquid, 55% of the blood volume, and contains 6 substances:

- **Water**

- Makes up about 92% of the total amount of plasma
 - The percentage is maintained by the kidneys and by water intake/ output

- **Plasma proteins**

- Consists of three proteins:

- **Fibrinogen**

- Necessary for blood clotting
 - Synthesized in the liver
 - Without it, you would bleed continuously

- **Albumin**

- Most abundant of the plasma proteins
 - Another product of the liver
 - Maintains the blood's osmotic pressure and volume
 - Holds and pulls water from the tissue into the blood vessels

- **Globulin**

- Formed in the lymphatic system and the liver
 - Helps in the synthesis of antibodies

- Destroy harmless various disease-causing organisms

- **Hematopoiesis**

- The formation of blood cells
- Occurs in the red bone marrow
- All blood cells develop from undifferentiated mesenchymal cells
 - Known as stem cells or hemocytoblasts

- **Erythrocytes**

- **Erythropoiesis**

- Manufacture of red blood cells
- Occurs in the red bone marrow in all bones
 - Happens until adolescence
- Red bone marrow is replaced with fat marrow as we grow older

- **Hemoglobin**

- A red pigment that gives cells their color
- Made of a protein molecule called globin and an iron compound called heme
- One blood cell contains several million molecules
- Vital to the function of red blood cells
 - Allows them to transport oxygen to the tissues and carbon dioxide away from the tissues
- Normal amount of hemoglobin for men is 14-18g
- Normal amount of hemoglobin for women is 12-16g per 100ml

- **CO poisoning**

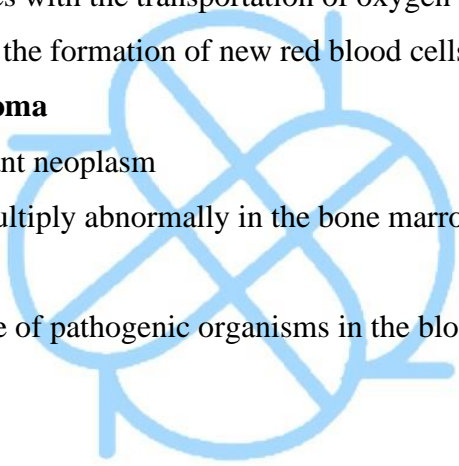
- Serious and fatal condition
- Carbon monoxide rapidly combines with hemoglobin molecules such as oxygen, crowding the oxygen out
- The cells become deprived of oxygen
- Symptoms include and are limited to:
 - Headache, dizziness, drowsiness, and unconscious
 - Death only occurs in severe cases

- **Hemolysis**
 - The rupture of a red blood cell
 - Occurs as a result of a blood transfusion reaction
- **Leukocytes**
 - **White blood cells (leukocytes)**
 - Have nuclei and no pigment whatsoever
 - They are larger than erythrocytes and granular (grainy appearance)
 - Manufactured in both red bone marrow and in the lymphatic system
 - Body's natural defense against injury, disease, infection, etc.
 - **Types of leukocytes**
 - Identified into 2 main groups: granulocytes and agranulocytes
 - **Granulocytes** are made in red bone marrow from cells called myeloblasts
 - Destroyed as they age
 - Only live a few days
 - There are three types of granulocytes
 - **Neutrophils**
 - Known as **polymorphonuclear leukocytes**
 - Phagocytize bacteria with lysosomal enzymes
 - Phagocytosis is a process that surrounds, engulfs, and digests harmful bacteria
 - **Eosinophils**
 - Phagocytize the remains of antibody-antigen reactions
 - Increase in number in allergic reactions, malaria, or worm infestations
 - **Basophils**
 - Activated during an allergic reaction
 - Produce histamine and heparin
- **Inflammation**

- Occurs when tissues are subjected to chemical or physical **trauma** or **invasion** by pathogenic microorganisms
- **Characteristic symptoms** include redness, local heat, swelling, and pain
- Due to irritation by bacterial toxins, to increased blood flow, to congestion of blood vessels, and to the collection of blood plasma in the surrounding tissues
- **Histamine** released from the basophil and other chemical substances increases blood flow to the injured area
- Large amounts of blood plasma and fibrinogen enter the damaged area
 - Damaged area becomes walled off from the clotting action of fibrinogen
 - Neutrophils move very quickly to the damaged area
 - Neutrophils move through the capillary walls by diapedesis and begin phagocytosis of the pathogens
- Pus forms
- **Homeostasis**
 - Refers to stopping the bleeding
 - Can be accomplished by **vasoconstriction**
- **Blood clotting (Coagulation)**
 - When a blood vessel or tissue is injured, platelets and injured tissue release **thromboplastin**
 - Blood platelets flow over the injured area
 - Then, they disintegrate, releasing thromboplastin
 - The thromboplastin and calcium ions act as enzymes in a reaction that converts **prothrombin** into **thrombin**
 - The thrombin changes the fibrinogen into **fibrin** and the threads layer themselves over the cut
 - **Serum** oozes out of the cut
 - The serum slowly dries forming a scab
- **4 types of blood**
 - A+/-
 - A+ can receive the blood types A+/-, O+/-
 - A- can receive the blood types A-, O-

- **B+/-**
 - B+ can receive B+/-, O+/-
 - B- can receive B-, O-
- **AB+/-**
 - AB+ is a **universal recipient**
 - AB+ can receive AB+/-, A+/-, B+/-, O+/-
 - AB- can receive AB-, A-, B-, O-
- **O+/-**
 - O- is a **universal donor**
 - O+ can receive O+, O-
 - O- can receive O-
- **RH Factor**
 - Found on the surface of the red blood cells
 - People who possess it are RH+
 - People who don't possess it are RH-
- **Hematocrit**
 - Blood test that measures the percentage of volume of whole blood that is made up of red blood cells
 - The measurement depends on the number of red blood cells and their size
 - Normal Hct in males is 47%
 - Normal Hct in females is 42%
- **Blood disorders**
 - **Anemia**
 - Deficiency in the number or percentage of red blood cells and the amount of hemoglobin in the blood
 - Results in a large loss of blood
 - 400 types of anemia
 - Never enough oxygen transported in the cells
 - Symptoms include and are limited to dyspnea, pallor, palpitation, and fatigue
 - **Iron deficiency anemia**

- Exists in women, children, and adolescents
- Caused by a deficiency of adequate amounts of iron
- Leads to an insufficient hemoglobin synthesis
- **Pernicious anemia**
 - Form of anemia caused by the deficiency of vitamin B12
- **Aplastic anemia**
 - A disease caused by the suppression of the bone marrow
 - There are idiopathic causes and secondary
- **Sickle cell anemia**
 - Chronic blood disease that is inherited from both parents
 - Red blood cells form in a abnormal crescent shape
 - Cells carry less oxygen and are easily breakable
 - Most prevalent in African Americans
- **Thalassemia**
 - Inherited blood disorder that causes severe to mild anemia
- **Colley's anemia**
 - Defect in hemoglobin
 - Affects people of the Mediterranean descent
 - Iron overload
- **Polycythemia**
 - Too many red blood cells are formed
 - Can be temporary at high altitudes
 - Thickening of the blood
 - Makes clot formation possible
 - Treatment includes removal of 1 pint of blood and a low dose of aspirin
- **Embolism**
 - Embolus is carried into the bloodstream until it reaches an artery too small for passage
 - May include air, blood clot, cancer cells, fat, bacterium, etc
- **Thrombosis**
 - The formation of a blood clot in a blood vessel

- **Thrombus**
 - The blood clot formed
 - Caused by low blood circulation
 - **Hematoma**
 - Localized clotted mass of blood found in an organ
 - Caused by traumatic injury
 - **Hemophilia**
 - Blood clots slowly or abnormally
 - **Leukemia**
 - Cancerous or malignant
 - Number of white blood cells is greatly increased
 - Interferes with the transportation of oxygen
 - Hinders the formation of new red blood cells
 - **Multiple myeloma**
 - Malignant neoplasm
 - Cells multiply abnormally in the bone marrow
 - **Septicemia**
 - Presence of pathogenic organisms in the blood
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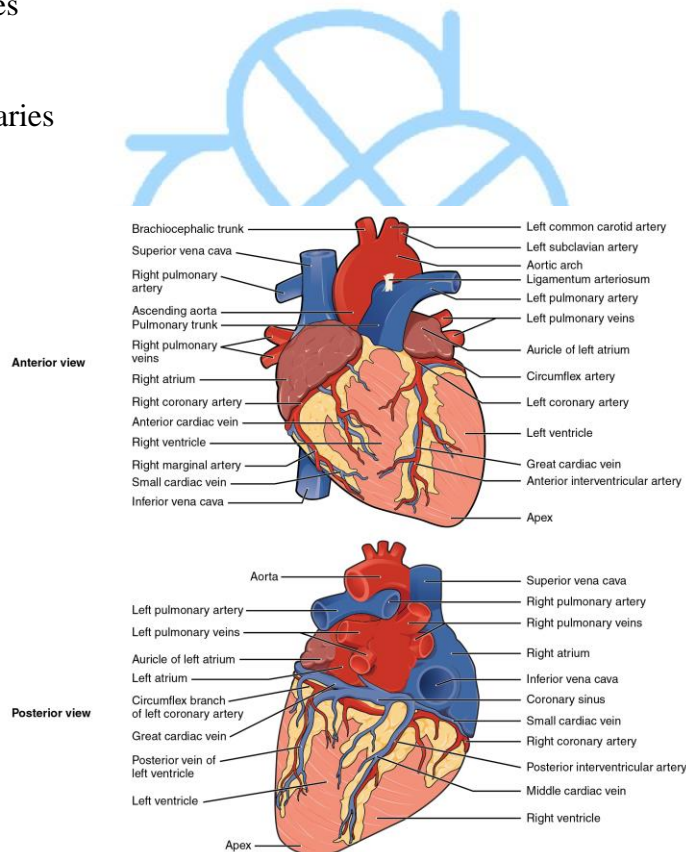
Heart

- **Functions**

- Pumps the blood to all parts of the body
- Arteries, veins, and capillaries are the structures that take blood from the heart to the cells and return blood from the cells back to the heart
- Blood carries oxygen and nutrients to the cells and carries the waste products away
- The lymph system returns excess fluid from the tissues to the general circulation and is part of the cardiovascular system

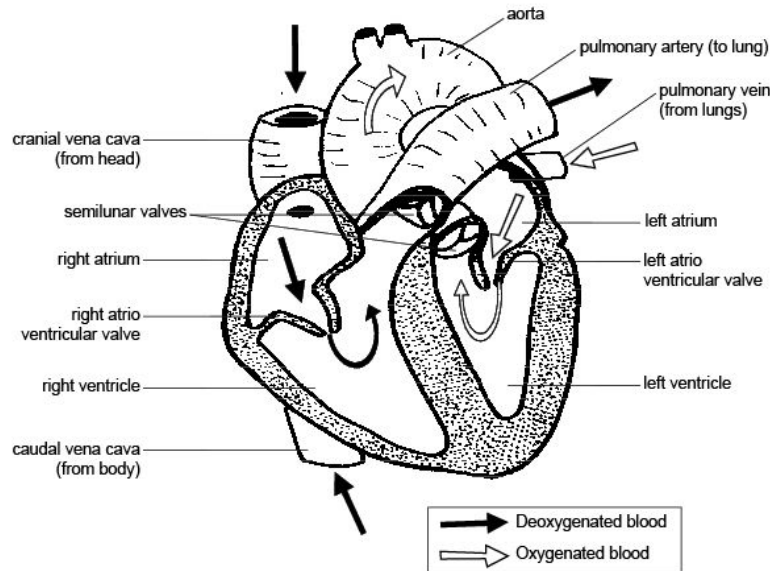
- **Organs of the circulatory system**

- Heart
- Arteries
- Veins
- Capillaries
- Blood

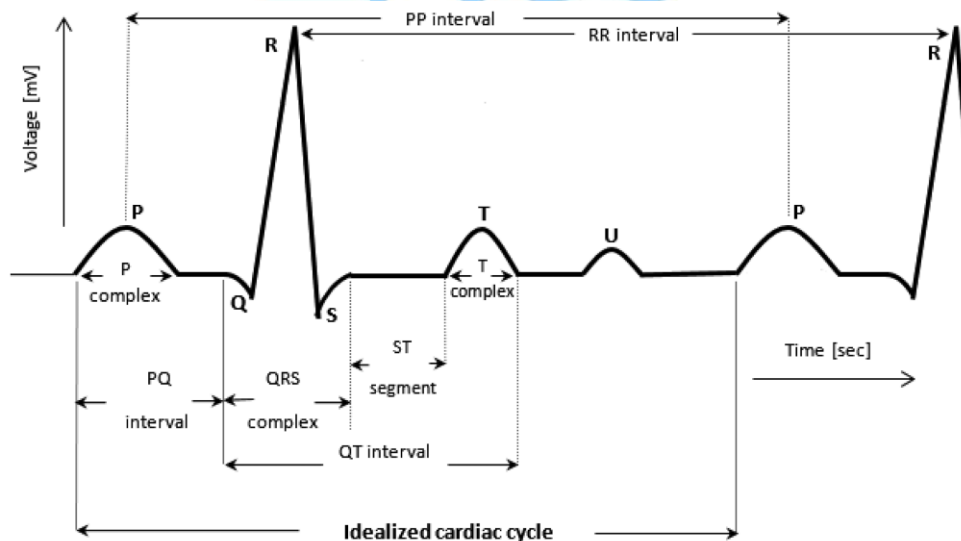


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Heart continued...

- Diseases of the heart

- **Arrhythmia**
 - Change or deviation from the normal rate or rhythm of the heart
- **Bradycardia**
 - Slow heart rate
 - Less than 60 beats per minute
- **Tachycardia**
 - Rapid heart rate
 - More than 100 beats per minute
- **Murmurs**
 - When valves fail to close, a gurgling sound will occur
 - If it occurs while the heart is contracting its called systolic
 - If it occurs while the heart is resting its called diastolic
- **Mitral valve prolapse**
 - Condition in which the valve between the left atrium and the left ventricle closes imperfectly
- **CAD (Coronary Artery Disease)**
 - Narrowing of the coronary arteries that supply oxygen and nutrient-filled blood to the heart muscle
- **Angina pectoris**
 - The severe chest pain that arises when the heart does not receive enough oxygen
 - Symptom of underlying problem with coronary circulation
- **Myocardial Infarction**
 - “Heart attack”
 - Caused by a lack of blood supply to the myocardium
- **Pericarditis**
 - Inflammation of the outer membrane covering the heart
- **Myocarditis**
 - Inflammation of the heart muscle
- **Endocarditis**
 - Inflammation of the membrane that lines the heart and covers the valves

- **Heart failure**
 - When the ventricles of the heart are unable to contract effectively and blood pools in the heart
- **Congestive heart failure**
 - In left sided failure, fluid accumulates in the lungs, backing blood up into the lung vessels
 - In right sided failure, fluid builds up throughout the body
- **Types of heart surgery**
 - **Angioplasty**
 - Balloon surgery
 - A small deflated balloon is threaded into the coronary artery
 - When it reaches the blocked area, the balloon is then opened and closed a few times, until the blockage is pushed against the arterial wall until the area is unblocked
 - The balloon is then deflated and removed
 - **Cardiac stents**
 - Stainless steel devices that hold arteries open after an angioplasty
 - **Coronary bypass**
 - Surgically providing a detour to allow the blood supply to go around the blocked area of a coronary artery
 - **TMR (transmyocardial laser revascularization)**
 - The use of lasers to puncture holes in the heart muscle to improve blood flow

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